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5. [redacted] a new breakwater, measuring approximately 15 by 100 meters, has been constructed "on the right side of the inner harbor."

6. [redacted] seven or eight motor torpedo boats of the Bulgarian Navy were moored behind the new breakwater. All of the motor torpedo boats were equipped with heavy machine guns and two or more of the boats left the harbor daily, presumably on patrol duty. Upon leaving Burgas, the ships [redacted] were followed by two of these boats for about two hours.

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7. [redacted] four motor-driven cranes, one of which was [redacted] in use in the harbor.

8. [redacted] new buildings located opposite the Customs House, all guarded by armed soldiers. [redacted] numerous older houses located "behind" the city park are now occupied by military units, and that the area is off-limits to all unauthorized personnel.

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Harbor Activities

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9. In addition to the motor torpedo boats mentioned in paragraph 6 above, the only other ships of the Bulgarian Navy [redacted] were two vessels of 80 to 100 tons each which appeared to be minelayers. Both had a gun mounted on the bow, but no details were observed because the guns were covered with tarpaulins.

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10. [redacted] an unidentified Soviet cargo ship of about 9,000 tons arrived in Burgas to load a cargo of ore. The ore was in powdered form, reddish in color, and sparkled in the sunlight. The loading took place over a 3-day period without interruption day and night.

11. An unidentified Rumanian ship of about 7,000 tons also arrived in Burgas [redacted] 50X1-HUM
[redacted] It allegedly came from the USSR, and unloaded a cargo of iron bars, construction material, and other unidentified goods.

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12. [redacted]

13. [redacted] a fully-equipped infantry-type unit of 400 to 500 men board two military lighter-type ships [redacted] they were replacements for a Border Guard unit [redacted]

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14. [redacted] two Soviet freighters loading cargoes of ore [redacted]
[redacted] At the same time a [redacted] freighter loaded a cargo resembling henna.

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General Information

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15. [redacted]

16. While Bulgarian Army officers of Field Grade rank were observed in the city, Company Grade officers and soldiers were rarely seen. No tanks, artillery pieces, or motorized military vehicles were observed.
17. The people appeared better dressed than in the past, but there is still very little activity after dark, and few people were seen either on the streets or in the parks.

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18. [] the stores currently carry a good selection of merchandise, but that the prices are high. Some of the prices [] are as follows:

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1 kilo of black bread. 3.60 leva
1 kilo of white bread. 7.60 leva
1 kilo of sugar. 17.00 leva
1 kilo of meat (rationed). 18.00 leva
1 meter of printed cotton dress material * 24.00 leva
1 pair of ordinary shoes 120.00 leva

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19. [] the following list of prices []

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1 loaf of 1st quality white bread. . . . 4.80 leva
1 loaf of 2nd quality white bread. . . . 3.80 leva
1 loaf of 3rd quality black bread. . . . 2.80 leva
1 kilo of meat 18.00 leva
1 kilo of pickles. 5.00 leva
1 kilo of butter 18.00 leva
1 pair of inferior quality socks 12.00 leva
1 man's jacket 240.00 leva

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20. [] Varna and Sozopol are now military ports and as such off-limits to foreign ships. In addition, sailing closer than five miles from the Bulgarian coast is prohibited. Inasmuch as most [] ships calling at Burgas are small caiques with little or no navigational aids, it is common practice for them to depart from Bulgarian ports in the early daytime so that they can take advantage of the daylight hours.

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